DNREC now accepting grant proposals for community water quality improvement projects

Proposals due by March 17

DOVER — DNREC's Division of Watershed Stewardship is now accepting project proposals for matching grants for community water quality improvement projects. Delaware non-profit organizations, conservation districts, community organizations and homeowner's associations are eligible to apply. Proposals must be received by March 17, 2016.

The Community Water Quality Improvement Grant assists in implementing projects or programs to improve water quality on developed lands consistent with specific plans developed for watershed improvements. Projects will be recommended for funding by the Delaware Water Infrastructure Advisory Council through a competitive grant process. Programs and projects selected will demonstrate innovative and sustainable methods, techniques, and/or practices for water quality improvements, with cost effective and measurable results.

Funding for projects receiving a grant award in this cycle is anticipated to range from \$25,000 minimum to \$75,000 maximum. This grant requires a 25 percent cash match which may be federal, state, or local funds. Applicants may submit up to two project proposals per grant cycle.

Proposals must be submitted by 4:30 p.m., March 17 via email to Sharon.Webb@delaware.gov and by putting "Community Water Quality Improvement Grant" in the subject field. Project guidelines and the application can be found on DNREC's website on the Community-water-quality-improvement-grants page.

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